

29th ultimo, from the committee on elections and privileges, to which was referred the returns of the election held in Cecil county, for a delegate to the general assembly, to supply the vacancy occasioned by an equal number of votes having been given to William D. Mercer, and Thomas S. Thomas. esquires; and being read the second time, the said report was concurred in by the house.

The hour appointed by the rules of the house, for taking up the orders of the day, having arrived,

The house proceeded to consider the order of the day in reference to the bill reported by Mr. Phelps, entitled, An act to regulate the mode of granting divorces, and of ascertaining the nullity of marriages.

The said bill having been read throughout,

Mr. Grason moved to amend the same by inserting at the end thereof, as an additional section, the following:

“And be it enacted, That the operation of this act shall not extend to Queen-Anne’s county.”

Mr. Blakistone moved to amend the said amendment by adding thereto, “Saint Mary’s county,” so as to exclude that county likewise from the operation of the law, should the bill be passed.

Mr. Kemp also moved to add Frederick.

Mr. Willess also moved to add Caroline.

Mr. Ely also moved to add Baltimore county.

Mr. Gantt also moved to add Prince-George’s.

Mr. Johns also moved to add Harford.

Mr. Mercer also moved to add Cecil.

Mr. M’Mahon of Allegany also moved to add Allegany.

Mr. Mercer then moved, That the further consideration of said bill, with the proposed amendments, be referred to the next general assembly?

And the question thereon being taken, was resolved in the affirmative.

The yeas and nays being required by seven members, were ordered and taken.

Those who voted in the affirmative are

Messrs. Thomas	Duvall
Hawkins	Crabb
Gough	Grason
Blakistone	Wright of Queen-Anne’s
Osborn	Turpin
Hynson	Oldson
Brown	Roach
Beckett	Kemp
Turner of Calvert	M’Pherson